Water Rights Accounting Internet Mapping Users Guide

An ArcIMS Mapping Application

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Browser Warnings and Tips

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Pop-up Windows

The use of multiple pop-up windows in the application allows you to compare records for more than one site or more than one year of data for a site.

Do not use your browser's 'Back' button or the 'Refresh' button. If you wish to go back the previous screen use the "Zoom to previous extent" tool.

If you need to refresh the screen due to a browser malfunction please close the browser and restart it.

This application is designed for use in Microsoft Internet Explorer, version 6, or newer. Instructions on how to disable Internet Explorer features that interfere with this application follow.

Disable the Microsoft Internet Explorer Image Toolbar

Internet Explorer's Image Toolbar interferes with the use of some tools in this application.

Please refer to the *Internet Mapping Users Guide* for instruction on how to disable the IE6 Image Toolbar.

Attention Windows XP Users

The disclaimer that displays when you browse to our web-site has a detailed description of how Microsoft's new "pop-up blocker" can cause problems with our applications. You can read Microsoft's explanation of how to disable/enable/configure the pop-up blocker at http://www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/web/sp2 popupblocker.mspx.



Introduction

The Technical Services Bureau of the Idaho Department of Water Resources (IDWR) uses ESRI's Internet Map Server, known as ArcIMS, to serve fully interactive maps to remote users over the internet. Within a simple browser interface, you can access, display, and interact with data generated by the IDWR's engineers, scientists and GIS professionals.

The maps displayed on the IDWR web-site are composed of data stored in our Geographic Information System (GIS). ArcIMS web-based mapping applications offered by the IDWR display geographic information and query associated tabular data hosted by the IDWR's servers. The GIS servers access databases on other IDWR servers for information concerning hydrology, water rights, well drilling, flood hazards and wind power, as well as databases from other state, county and federal government agencies.

Maps created with ArcIMS differ from most others on the internet because, unlike sites such as "Mapquest®" or "Google Earth®," users have the ability to specify as many as eighty GIS layers, including high-resolution background images. You can easily access IDWR databases by selecting points on the map and download entire GIS layers or clip and download portions of layers.

Using the Map

The map displayed at the center of the application window is interactive (Figure 1). You can use the tools on the left-hand side of the window for a variety of functions, such as zoom in to small section of the state, zoom out, pan around, measure linear features, etc. For an explanation of how use the toolbar and the other capabilities of ArcIMS, please download the *Internet Mapping Users Guide* at http://maps.idwr.idaho.gov/InternetMappingUsersGuide.pdf.

The interactive map is a powerful way of sorting and highlighting the key fields in a database. You can look at symbols and see how hydrographic features relate spatially to a river. You can tell what the symbol represents (e.g. a diversion or a gage) by the way it is drawn. The symbols add another level of understanding to tabular data, and this application allows you to access and query those tabular data through the map.

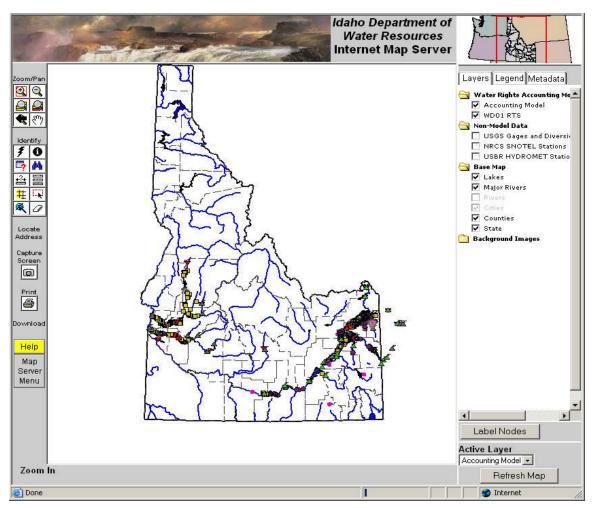


Figure 1: The main window for the Water Rights Accounting application.

Symbols Used on the Map

The table of contents (TOC), to the right of the map, is divided into three functions; listing the *layers*, displaying a *legend* of map symbols and providing links to *metadata* associated the with the GIS layers used to compose the map. Depending on the selected tab, you can display/hide layers, tell which layers are available at the current scale, view a legend of map symbols and obtain metadata.

The list of map symbols present on the legend will change as you display/hide layers using the "Layers" tab. If a layer is not marked as visible in the layers list it will not be represented in the legend.

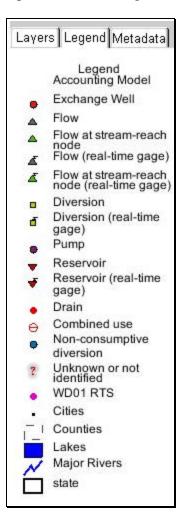


Figure 2: Legend

This Water Rights Accounting application uses several GIS layers, the most important of which is labeled "Accounting Model." Make sure it is the "Active Layer" when you start the application. The name of the active layer is displayed in the drop-down list box at the lower, right of your screen, and is the layer that is queried when you use the "Identify" 1 tool.



The "Accounting Model" layer contains a point for each record in the Water Rights Accounting database. Those points are drawn as shown in the legend in Figure 2.

Note: You will need to click on the "Legend" tab, as illustrated at the top of **Figure 2**, to make the legend visible.

When you look at the symbols in the map display, you can use the "Identify Tool" to click on a symbol to access detailed information about the specific point in the IDWR database.

Accessing Tabular Data

Make sure that the active layer drop-down list is set to "Accounting Model" (the default),

Click on the "Identify" • tool, then click on a point on the map. A pop-up window named "Query/Selection Results" presents a list of all model entities at that location.

Accounting Model (DPL)			
Zoom to Feature	SITEID	AGENCY	FULLNAME
1	13038500	USGS	SNAKE RIVER AT LORENZO
2	13038501		REACH GAIN SNAKE RIVER HEISE TO LORENZO
3	13038502		TOTAL DIVERSIONS SNAKE RIVER BLW DRY BED TO LORENZO

Figure 3: Query/Selection Results Window

There are three records in the model database associated with the point shown in Figure 3 because it is an USGS real-time flow gage. The first record provides a link to historical and model data for the gage. The second and third records, present because the gage represents a node between two model stream reaches, do not currently link to tabular information.

Click on the link in the "SITEID" column for the gage (the first record). You will be presented with a menu of options available for obtaining data for USGS real-time gages.

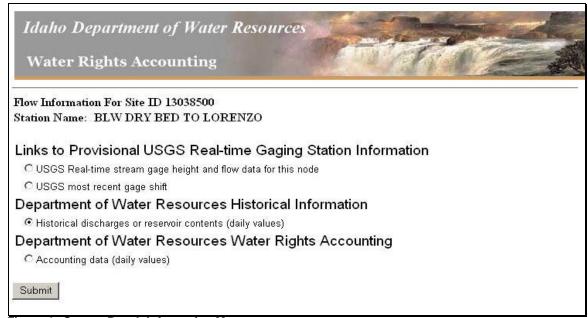


Figure 4: Stream Reach Information Menu

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The menu options differ depending on the type of model point you are querying. For example, the menu for diversions will not show real-time gage data but adds the capability to list the water rights associated with the diversion. The options for historical data and accounting model results will be available for most model points.

As noted earlier, database records for some points, such as "reach gain" and "total diversions" will not have data – these records in the model database are used for model calculations.

Displaying Historical Data

Select the radio button for "historical discharges or reservoir contents" and press the "Submit" button. A pop-up window will display the tabular information for that site for a single year. You can use the drop-down list near the upper, left corner of the window to

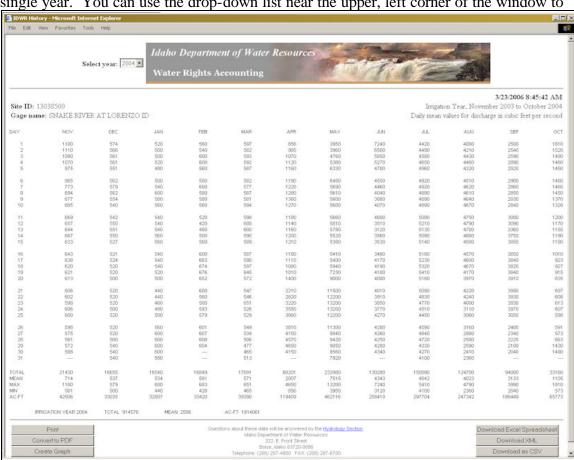


Figure 5: Summary of historical data for Site ID 13038500 for 2004.

select the year you wish to see. Once you have selected a year, any historical or accounting data you view will be for that year until you select a different year.

Data for the current irrigation year, or for the recently completed irrigation year – for which data have not been finalized – bring the warning:

The data for the selected year are provisional and subject to change!

Additionally, for the current year, or if you have from one model point to another you may get the message:

No **flow** records were found for site ID **13038500** for the 2006 irrigation year.

Retrieving Data

There are several options for retrieving the data you are viewing on the screen. If you choose to print or "Convert to PDF" you will get the data currently visible on the screen in a format that matches the "Water Master" report; it will not contain the web-graphics, drop-down list or any of the buttons shown in the window.

Choose "Create Graph" to make a line-graph of tabular data. If you do not like the color graph (or wish to print it), you have the option to display the graph as black and white.

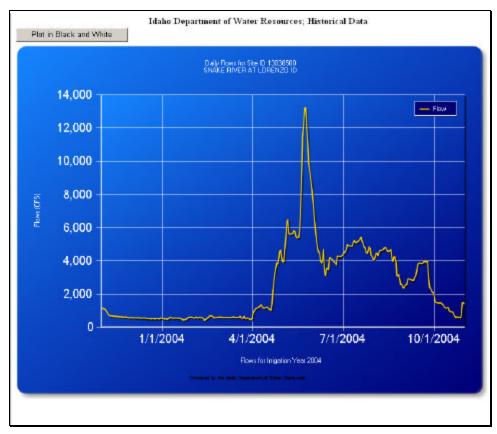


Figure 6: Graph of historical data for Site ID 13038500 for 2004.

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There are options to convert the data to Microsoft Excel format, XML or a commaseparated list. If you choose Excel, the first worksheet will contain the site name and site ID. The second worksheet will have the daily flow values as shown in **Figure 7**.

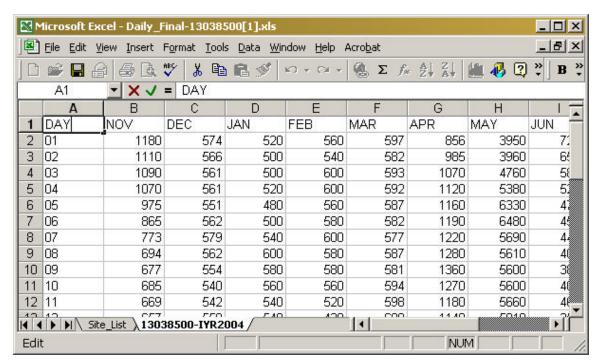


Figure 7: Downloaded spreadsheet of historical data for Site ID 13038500 for 2004.

Displaying Accounting Data

Select the radio button for "accounting data (daily values)" and press the "Submit" button. A pop-up window will display the tabular information for that site for a single year. This window includes all of the functionality described above for historical data, including the options for printing, graphing and downloading data.

Figure 8 shows the first month's evaporation and accrual for irrigation year 2004, for the Palisades Reservoir. A value will be displayed for each day in the year.

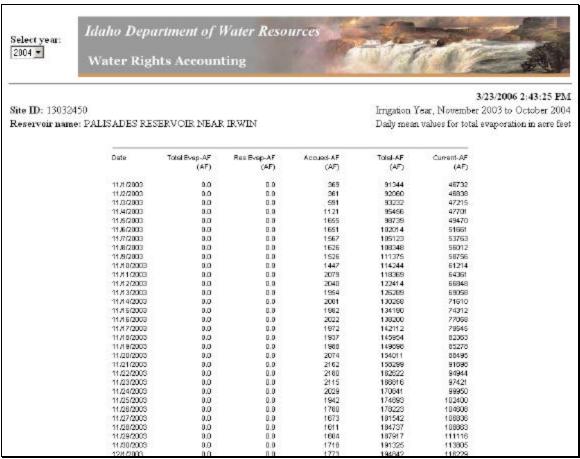


Figure 8: Table of accounting data for Site ID 13032450 for 2004.

Note: If you choose to graph accounting model data for a reservoir you will get a warning that states that the graph does not show physical contents. The numbers are used for accounting purposes but may not resemble the actual storage – for actual storage, graph the historical data.



Labeling Accounting Model and RTS Points

You can use the "Label Nodes" button, located near the lower, right corner of the window, to place a label on all of the model points and the RTS points. The accounting model points will be label with the site name; the RTS points will be labeled with the IDWR water rights number. The labels may be quite long and many points have more than one database record, so you should be viewing a relatively small section of land before you label the nodes.

Displaying Detailed Diversion Data

Note: Currently, only detailed information is available for the Upper Snake River system (IDWR Water District 01).

Make "WD01 RTS" the active layer using the drop-down list at the lower, right corner of the window. Click on one of the "WD01 RTS" points on the map – refer to the legend if you do not know the map-symbol for those points.

Make the "Identify" tool active; click on a point on the map. A pop-up window named "Query/Selection Results" presents a records for all water rights used in the model at that location. The information displayed in these records is a subset of the fields maintained in the IDWR's water rights database. The water right number, diversion rate and priority date for this site are shown.